

such instrument by proof of the handwriting of the maker and this shall likewise apply to proof of execution of instruments by married women.

Proof of execution of certain instruments by proof of handwriting of maker.

SEC. 13. Amend Section forty-seven - thirty-eight of the General Statutes of North Carolina by striking out the first four lines of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Acknowledgment by grantor. Where the instrument is acknowledged by the grantor or maker, or where a married woman is a grantor or maker, the form of acknowledgment shall be in substance as follows:

Form of acknowledgment.

SEC. 14. Amend Section forty-seven - thirty-nine of the General Statutes of North Carolina by rewriting said section so that the same shall hereafter read as follows:

SEC. 47-39. Form of acknowledgment of conveyances and contracts between husband and wife. When an instrument or contract purports to be signed by a married woman and such instrument or contract comes within the provisions of Section fifty-two - twelve of the General Statutes, the form of certificate of her acknowledgment before any officer authorized to take the same shall be in substance as follows:

North Carolina,County.

I (here give name of the official and his official title), do hereby certify that (here give name of the married woman who executed the contract or instrument), wife of (here give husband's name), personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing (or annexed) instrument.

Form of acknowledgment of contracts between husband and wife.

And I do further certify that it has been made to appear to my satisfaction, and I do find as a fact, that the same is not unreasonable or injurious to her.

Witness my hand and (when an official seal is required by law) official seal, this.....(day of month), A. D.....(year).

(Official Seal)

Signature of officer

SEC. 15. Amend Section forty-seven - forty of the General Statutes of North Carolina by rewriting said section so that the same shall hereafter read as follows:

SEC. 47-40. Husband's acknowledgment and wife's acknowledgment before the same officer. Where the instrument is acknowledged by both husband and wife or by other grantor before the same officer the form of acknowledgment shall be in substance as follows: